IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant(s): James Alexander Reeds III and Wen-Ping Ying

Title: APPARATUS, SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR VALIDATING

INTEGRITY OF TRANSMITTED DATA

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RESPONSE TO NOTIFICATION OF NON-COMPLIANT APPEAL BRIEF (37 C.F.R. § 41.37)

This paper is responsive to the Notification of Non-Compliant Appeal Brief mailed on November 7, 2008, having a period for response set to expire December 7, 2008. Applicants respectfully submit the attached <u>STATUS OF CLAIMS</u> as a replacement for the <u>STATUS OF CLAIMS</u> included in the Appeal Brief filed on October 27, 2008. Applicants believe that the updated Appeal Brief complies with 37 C.F.R. § 41.37. Consideration of the updated Appeal Brief is respectfully requested.

Any fees required by this paper under 37 C.F.R. § 41.20(b)(2) are being provided as directed in an electronic submission of this paper or in a transmittal letter accompanying this paper. However, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any deficiency in fees required by this paper and any additional fees under 35 C.F.R. § 1.16 or 1.17 which may be required during the pendency of this application, and to similarly credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account 50-0631.

STATUS OF CLAIMS

Claims 1-3, 5-16, 18-22, 26-32, 41-43, 45-47, and 57 are pending and stand as rejected. Claims 4, 17, 23-25, 33-40, 44, and 48-56 are canceled. Rejected claims 1-3, 5-16, 18-22, 26-32, 41-43, 45-47, and 57 are the subject of this appeal.

REMARKS

Applicants respectfully submit a replacement <u>STATUS OF CLAIMS</u> section to the <u>STATUS OF CLAIMS</u> section of the Appeal Brief filed on October 27, 2008. The updated <u>STATUS OF CLAIMS</u> indicates that claims 4, 17, 23-25, 33-40, 44, and 48-56 are canceled. Applicants believe that the replacement <u>STATUS OF CLAIMS</u> section satisfies the requirements of 37 CFR § 41.37(c)(1)(iii).

Interview Summary

Applicants appreciate the interview granted by Examiner Timothy Cole with the undersigned on November 17, 2008. The Examiner agreed that box 4 of the Notification of Non-Compliant Appeal Brief was checked by mistake and that the <u>SUMMARY OF CLAIMED SUBJECT MATTER</u> of the Appeal Brief complies with the requirements of 37 CFR § 41.37(c)(1)(v).

The undersigned pointed out to the Examiner that claims 4, 17, 23-25, 33-40, 44, and 48-56 are canceled. The Examiner agreed that the Applicants need only file a replacement <u>STATUS</u> <u>OF CLAIMS</u> section reflecting that status instead of an entire new appeal brief.

The Examiner agreed that the <u>GROUNDS OF REJECTION TO BE REVIEWED ON APPEAL</u> section of the Appeal Brief filed on October 27, 2008 complies with the requirements of 37 CFR § 41.37(c)(1)(vi). The Examiner also agreed that the <u>ARGUMENT</u> section of the Appeal Brief filed on October 27, 2008 complies with 37 CFR § 41.37(c)(1)(vii).

Applicants believe that the updated Appeal Brief complies with 37 C.F.R. § 41.37. Consideration of the updated Appeal Brief is respectfully requested.

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